

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Furukawa, ITARU, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 8831
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Application No.: 10/692,746	:	Group Art Unit: 2624
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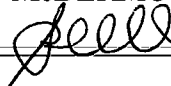
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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on October 27, 2003. Since four and one-half years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before April 11, 2004 in the above-assigned group art unit should have received an action on the merits. It is further noted that a Status Reply issued November 23, 2007 indicated that an action should issue in approximately four months, which date expired March 23, 2008.

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